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大赛三月份试题 Topic: Materialism means placing great importance on material things such as clothes, property, and furniture. Many people complain that modern society is too materialistic. Are people in these times " what they own " or " what they are " ? Explain your thoughts on the matter in an essay of about 300 words. 全国大学生翻译大赛三月份试题我要收藏

Nineteenth century life had dealt the ten-year-old London lad a bad hand. While his father languished in debtors' jail, painful pangs of hunger gnawed at his stomach. To feed himself, the boy took a job pasting labels on blacking bottles in a grim, rat-infested warehouse. He slept in a dismal attic room with two other street urchins, while secretly dreaming of becoming a writer. With only four years of schooling, he had little confidence in his ability. To avoid the jeering laughter he expected, he sneaked out in the dead of night to mail his first manuscript. Story after story was refused, until finally one was accepted. He wasn't paid for it, but still, one editor had praised his work. The recognition he received through the printing of that one story changed his life. If it hadn't been for the encouragement of that one editor, he might have spent his entire working life in a rat-infested factory. You may have heard of this boy, whose books brought about so many reforms in the treatment of children and the poor: his name was Charles Dickens, author of A Christmas Card.

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